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**THREE TIME CONVICTED FELON INDICTED FOR
POSSESSION OF A FIREARM BY A CONVICTED FELON**

David L. Huber, United States Attorney for the Western District of Kentucky, announced today that a federal Grand Jury in Louisville **returned an Indictment** charging **RICKY L. GRIFFIN**, age 25, of Louisville, in Jefferson County, of being a felon in possession of a firearm.

The Indictment alleges that on or about November 21, 2006, in Jefferson County, Kentucky, **Griffin**, who had previously been convicted of a felony crime, possessed a Hi-Point 9millimeter semiautomatic pistol. Federal law makes it a crime for anyone who has been convicted of a felony to possess a firearm or ammunition. According to the indictment, **Griffin**, who is also charged with possessing cocaine at the time of his arrest, has been convicted of the following felony offenses:

<u>DATE</u>	<u>CHARGE</u>	<u>CASE NUMBER</u>	<u>COURT</u>
3-3-1998	first degree robbery	97-CR-2308	Jefferson Co., KY Circuit Court
8-28-1998	trafficking in a controlled substance	98-CR-1588	Jefferson Co, KY Circuit Court

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possession of
a handgun by
a convicted
felon; wanton
endangerment;

03-CR-0667

Jefferson Co., KY
Circuit Court

third degree assault

If convicted, the maximum potential penalties are not less than 15 years imprisonment, a \$250,000.00 fine, and supervised release for a period of not more than 5 years.

The case is being prosecuted by Assistant United States Attorney Thomas W. Dyke, and it was investigated by the Drug Enforcement Administration, the Louisville Metropolitan Police Department and the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives.

Griffin is scheduled to appear for arraignment before United States Magistrate Judge Dave Whalin on December 12, 2006, at 9:30 a.m., in Louisville, Kentucky.

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The indictment of a person by a Grand Jury is an accusation only and that person is presumed innocent until and unless proven guilty.

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